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FOOD PROGRAM (WFP/IGC) SEPTMEBR 19-OCTOBER 3 1975; THIRD  
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SUMMARY- PLENARY WEDNESDAY MORNING CONTINUED AND CONCLUDED  
DISCUSSION OF EMERGENCY OPERATIONS(ITEM 5). BRIEF PLENARY  
MEETING IN AFTERNOON DISCUSSED WFP BUDGET (ITEMS 15-19),  
WHICH WAS THEN CONTINUED IN DETAIL IN BUDGET SUB-COMMITTEE.  
DRAFTING SUBCOMMITTEE OPENED FIRST MEETING AT 4 P.M. AGENDA  
ITEM 6 WAS DEFERRED UNTIL THURSDAY PLEANARY.

1. WEDNESDAY MORNING PLENARY, WHICH OPENED AT 9:00 A.  
M. TO MAKE UP FOR DELAYS, CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF EMERGENCY  
OPERATIONS (ITEM 5) SPENDING MOST OF MORNINGON ITEM 5B.  
COUNTRIES SPEAKING WERE TURKEY, UNITED KINGDOM, INDONESIA,  
IRELAND , FRANCE PAKISTAN SWEDEN, HUNGARY , INDIA NORWAY  
AND SWITZERLAND. MAIN POINTS WERE REPETITIVE OF TUESDAY  
DISCUSSIO (PARAS 6-8 REFTTEL). UNHER AND UNICEF REPRESENTATIVES  
MADE STATEMENTS ON EMERGENCY OPERATIONS OF THEIR AGENCIES AND  
RELATIONS WITH WFP EMERGENCY OPERATIONS.

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2. NO FIRM CONSENSUS DEVELOPED IN FAVOR OF GERMAN SUGGESTION OF EMERGENCY TASK FORCE OF COUNTRIES ADDRESSING THEMSELVES TO THIS POINT, FIVE, INCLUDING U.S. ENDORSED IT WHILE SEVEN FAVORED PERMANENT UNIT WITHIN WFP FOR EMERGENCY OPERATIONS. WFP EMERGENCY MANUAL ALSO RECEIVED MUCH FAVORABLE COMMENT.

3. EMERGENCY RESERVES (TPPNPPP TON STOCKS FOR CRISIS SITUATIONS) WERE ALSO PARTICULAR SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION. WFP SAID IT IS NEGOTIATING AGREEMENTS ON SWEDEN AND NOWAY CONTRIBUTIONS. SWEDISH DELEGATE SAID HE WAS "ASTONISHED" BY UK ASSERTION THAT EEC HAD RESERVED ITS POSITION ON THIS QUESTION OF STOCKS DURING UNGA 7TH SPECIAL SESSION, BUT INDIA REPEATED UK ASSERTION THAT RESERVATION HAD BEEN RECORDED. U.S. (MEAD) NOTED THAT IT WAS A SIMPLE RECOMMENDATION, THAT ACTION BY GOVERNMENTS IS NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH RESERVE SYSTEM, THAT PROBLEMS MAY ARISE IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH SWEDEN AND NORWAY, AND THAT THIS QUESTION IS BEING REFERRED TO COMMITTEE FOR FOOD AID POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR ITS INAUGURAL SESSION.

4. IN BRIEF DISCUSSIONS OF OTHER SUB-ITEMS OF ITEM 5, THERE WAS GENERAL ENDORSEMENT OF EVALUATION DOCUMENTS ISSUED, WITH SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR STRENGTHENING EVALUATION OPERATIONS. PROPOSED DLR 15 MILLION INCREASE IN EMERGENCY FUNDS FOR REST OF CALENDAR YEAR 1975 WAS GENERALLY RECEIVED FAVORABLY, ALTHOUGH CANADA ELICITED FROM WFP ASSURANCE THAT FUNDS AND COMMODITIES ARE AT HAND TO COVER THIS INCREASE, IF IT IS AUTHORIZED. UNITED STATES WAS ALONE IN OPPOSING INCREASE IN EMERGENCY FUNDS FOR 1975 AND PERMANENT RETENTION OF ANNUAL DLR 40 MILLION ALLOCATION FOR EMERGENCIES. UNITED STATES DELEGATION INDICATES IT GIVES TOP PRIORITY TO EMERGENCIES IN ITS PL480 BILATERAL PROGRAMS AND AGAIN STATED THAT UNITED STATES SAW THESE ACTIONS AS POSSIBLE THREATS TO DEVELOPMENT FOCUS OF PROGRAM. HOWEVER, INCREASE AND PERMANENT ALLOCATIONS WERE APPROVED AS FIRM CONSENSUS OF THE COMMITTEE.

5. PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF BUDGET ITEMS 15-19 WAS HELD IN PLENARY BEFORE BUDGET SUB-COMMITTEE(BSC) MET. ANNAN OF WFP SUMMARIZED DOCUMENTS, PARTICULARLY ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET LEVEL (PROPOSED AT DLR 18.7 MILLION) ESTABLISHMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES UNIT, STUDY OF WFP FIELD ORGANIZATION

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(JUST COMPLETED) AND CRITERIA WHICH SHOULD BE MET FOR FUTURE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET REQUESTS. HE INVITED SPECIAL ATTENTION TO NEW POSITIONS WHICH FINANCE COMMITTEE OR ACABQ HAD DISAPPROVED. SWEDEN AND NORWAY FAVORED EMERGENCY UNIT AND WFP/UNDP LIAISON OFFICE IN NEW YORK, CANADA, GERMANY AND NETHERLANDS RAISED QUESTIONS WHICH ANNA ANSWERED. ISDEL MADE STATEMENT EXPRESSING RELIANCE ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF FINANCE COMMITTEE AND ACBQ, NOTING PROPOSED INCREASE OF ALMOST 40 PERCENT OVER

PRESENT BIENNIUM BUDGET, AND FAVORING REDUCTIONS RECOMMENDED BY FC OR REPEAT OR ACABQ.

6. BSC SESSION ELECTED INDIAN DELEGATE HAKIM CHAIRMAN AND DEALT WITH TWO ISSUES, UNDP LIAISON OFFICE IN NEW YORK, WHICH BOTH FC AND ACBQ HAD DISAPPROVED. SECRETARIAT AND SEVERAL MEMBERS ARGUED TENACIOUSLY FOR LIAISON OFFICE BUT WERE FINALLY OUTVOTED IN FAVOR OF POSTPONEMENT UNTIL SUCH TIME EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BELIEVES THAT EXPERIENCE JUSTIFIES RESUBMISSION OF PREPOSAL, POSSIBLY AS SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET REQUEST. LONG DISCUSSION OF EMERGENCY UNIT EVENTUALLY LED MOST MEMBERS TO OPINION THAT SUCH A UNIT IS REQUIRED FOR COORDINATION OF ALL WFP-RELATED EMERGENCY ACTIVITIES.

7. CHAIR SCHEDULED ITEM 6 FOR THURSDAY MORNING PLENARY. , TO BE FOLLOWED BY ITEM 14.VOLPE

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